THE BEHRING SEA TROUBLE, SALISBURY'S UNREASONABLE ATTITUDE.

THE SENATE LIKELY TO AMEND THE TREATY

BY PROVIDING FOR A MODUS VIVENDI. (BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE-1

Washington, March 6.-There were practically no developments in the Behring Sea question today. The situation remains what it has been since the State Department was informed on Tuesday last of the determination on the part of Lord Salisbury to refuse his consent to a renewal of possession of the treaty which refers the main question of the dispute to an international board of arbitration. Its action no doubt will be prompt; and, to judge from present appearances, It is not at all unlikely may amend the treaty so as to provide for a renewal of the modus vivendi pending the proceedings before the Board of Arbireturned to Lord Salisbury, who will then be compelled to state the reasons for his refusing so reasonable a proposition, or assume the responsibility for the consequences; which, no one Pribyloff rookeries and the extermination of the

The attitude of the English Government in this controversy has naturally enough reawakened the liveliest interest on the part of people, who, in addition to the diplomatic points involved, look upon this question from a scientific and humanitarian point of view-scientific, because the extermination of a valuable, harmless and interesting animal is threatened; humanitarian, because destruction of the animal means misery and starvation to the natives of Alaska, who largely depend upon it for food and as a means of livelihood. It is, therefore, not surprising to learn that steps are being taken by various organizations for the prevention of cruelty to animals to attach to protests against the wicked, wanton and wasteful mode of killing of the seal involved in pelagic scaling. The international character of many of these societies, and the connection existing between and among them, may stimulate the civilized world perhaps to a correct realization of Lord Salisbury's attitude.

In certain quarters it is suggested that because the "experts" were unable to agree upon the point as to whether the private scalers were exterminating the animals, Lord Salisbury is now unable to discard the report of Sir George Baden-Powell and Mr. Dawson in favor of that of Professor Mendenhall and Mr. Merriam, and that therefore he has no further excuse for refusing to allow the Canadian vessels to ply their industry. It is true that the four experts failed to agree on the point involving the effect of pelagic scaling, but they did not fail in reaching unanimously the conclusion that since the Alaska purchase the number of seal had diminished perceptibly and that such diminution in the number of seal was due to "the hand of man." Under the modus vivendi of last year, which was a deception, a delusion and a snare, because Lord Salisbury delayed its being carried into effect until after the sealing fleet had started upon its marauding tour, 62,000 skins were taken by pelagic scalers, and only 7,500 by the lesses of the Pribyloff Islands. The taking of those 62,000 skins involved the loss of probably as many more, half of the animals killed in the water ainking before being reached, and, of course, had a still more disastrous effect upon the herds because discrimination in regard to sex was impossible. If, under a modus vivendi, the poachers were enabled to carry on this wholesale destruction of seal, what may be expected by "the hand of man" when no modus vivendi at all exists?

"The hand of man" is rapidly doing its work in diminishing the number of seal and threatening the extermination of this useful animal—that is the unanimous opinion of the "experts." And yet in the face of this one and only proposition upon which the four commissioners were able to agree, Lord Salisbury refuses to stay "the hand of man." It certainly seems unreasonable and illogical. hand of man." Under the modus vivendi of last

# LAND RALES IN SOUTH JERSEY.

N. J., March 6 (Special).-The largest during the last three days. Over \$200,000 was sum realized. The largest purchase was that of a Philadelphia syndicate, headed by William Lamburn, who purchased land at Longport for \$35,000. Another large deal was made at Buena Vista, where a Hebrev colony will be started. The land was purchased from Mrs. Mary L. Green by a company of Hebrews; \$25,000 was the sum paid. Pactories and dwelling houses are to be erected at once. The new colony called Miz pah, recently started a few miles below Richland, where manufacturing is being extensively carried on, was sold by the Mizpah Improvement Company to another syndicate of Hebrews, who will start a shoe factory and other industries. The price paid was \$50,000. Over \$10,000 worth of Atlantic City property changed hands.

# POWDER BURNED WITHOUT EXPLODING.

Ouray, Col., March 6 .- An extraordinary occurrence rienced at the American Nettle mine vesterday A fire started, and before it could be extinguished it had entirely consumed ten boxes of gunpowder, but, strange as it may appear, no explosion took place There were 100 men in the mine at the time, and if the powder had exploded, a great loss of life would have

# INFORMATION FOR GOVERNOR PATTISON.

Fittsburg, March 6.-A dispatch from Titusville Penn., says: "The independent oil refiners and pro-ducers of Western Pennsylvania have sent a letter to Governor Pattison, calling attention to a pooling arrangement between the Pennsylvania Railroad and the National Transit Pipe-Line Company to maintain high rate for transportation from the oil field to the seaboard, which they claim is a violation of that provision of the Constitution which prohibits any transportation company from acquiring in any way the control of a competing line."

MINISTER BYAN ON HIS WAY TO WASHINGTON. San Antonio, Tex., March 6.-Thomas Ryan, United States Minister to Mexico, was in this city yesterday on his way to Washington. He said his mission wa to have a conference with Secretary Blaine with refer ence to reciprocity between the two Republics. Speak ing of the Garza affair, he said: "The sensations ing of the Garza anair, he said: "The sensational stories in Northern papers have incalculably damaged United States trade with Mexico, and at the same time have been untrue. All is peaceful in Mexico. The Mexican authorities attach less importance to the matter than do Americans to a band of train robbers."

# FAILURES IN PUSINESS.

Galveston, Tex., March 6.—Baldinger Brothers, dea ers in china, glass, queensware and house-furnishing goods, assigned yesterday to R. H. John. Their liahome creditors, and \$6,101.72 to foreign creditors. Their assets are given at \$26,000, of which \$10,000 is in real estate and improvements, and \$16,000 in

Great Falls, Mont., March 6.-The Hotchkiss-Hav kins Hardware Company, one of the oldest firms i city, closed its doors yesterday on a note due t the First National Bank for \$25,005, and \$22,612 dn to Bach, Cory & Co. The firm gave chattel mortgage on stock and other property to cover their liabilities. The bank is in charge of an examiner. Hotelikis is Mayor of Great Falls, and Hawkins is County Com

#### CRIME OF A JEALOUS HUSBAND.

Lowell, Mass., March 6.-The room of Edgar G. in Howe's lodging-house, No. 24 Elliott-st., was broken into this afternoon after repeated attempts to talk with Drew. Mrs. Drew was found dead iff bed, having been shot through the forehead, while her husband lay beside her with a bullet-hole in his head. Drew was conscious, but said he did not know how his wife was shot. He told conflicting stories. A 32-calibre revolver was found in the bed, four chambers of which were empty. Drew said that there had been no trouble between himself and his wife Neither of them had been seen since Friday night. Dr. Irish said that the woman had been dead several hours It has been learned that two years ago, when she was fifteen years old, Mrs. Drew, whose maiden name marriage, and is now at the Wilton, N. H., Town Farm. Drew is about twenty-five years old, is reported to have been jealous of his wife and to have before threatened her with a razor. Drew had until recently worked at Allen's boxshop. He was taken to the City Farm Hospital. The doctors say he cannot live.

#### FAREWELL TRIBUTE TO MR. REID.

DINNER TO BE GIVEN IN HIS HONOR ON MARCH 24-A REPORT THAT COL. HAY IS TO SUCCEED HIM.

Paris, March 6.-The farewell banquet to Mr. Reid. March 24, and will be held in the salle de fete of the ment, will be read by Consul-General King. members of President Carnot's military household, Gen isters Ribot, Roche and Rouvier; Deputies Spuller, Meline and Sigfried; Senator Barbey and M. de Blowitz.

musical entertainments and dinners given in their h The American female artists living in Paris, whose association Mrs. Reid has generously aided with large original sketches, many of which are of high merit.

Colonel John Hay, and that he will occupy the house Some of the leaders of the American colony here have en asked recently for an expression of their views on Mr. Reid's work as Minister. Mr. Thurber, pastor of the American Church, said: "Mr. Reid's departure will be greatly felt by all American residents. Not confining himself to the diplomatic duties he has so

has been liked by those who hold political views differ

whom he has been placed by his official position." General Meredith Rend, ex-Minister to Greece, said No United States Minister ever here fulfilled his dutie more successfully. He came here three years hao, with no diplomatic experience. The success of his mission is sufficient proof of his capability and adaptability. He is universally liked by people of all shades of political opinion and of every nationality."

General Dix, in 1866, when I first came to Paris, no His treatment of all with whom he has come in contact has been uniformly kind, his manner never be traying brusqueness. The most partisan Democrats cannot but esteem him. The way his duties have been

performed calls for approbation from everybody." William Seligman, the banker, said: "Mr. Rele remarkably able man, and worthy of any place to which he may aspire. I have nothing to expect fr him, so my opinion cannot be considered bla-sed. His knowledge of the French language and character has

been deservedly popular throughout his mission. has been kind to every one, and has suffered himself to fall into the hands of no clique. He has been very attentive to his duties, and possesses the high esteem of us all. His home has been thrown open most nospitably to all. His departure will be feit, by the high as well as the low, as a great loss."

London, March 6.-The biennial National masters ournament will begin to-morrow at the British Chess Club, King-st., Covent Garden, London. The tourns Chess Association. Among the competitors who will try conclusions over the board may be mentioned Binckburne, Bird, Mason, Gunsberg, Gossip, Gocock, Lee, Lasker and many other well-known London exas the coming man, is a strong chess-player indeed the contest, and if appearances are true he should The couranment for the amateur championship promises also much, because there is likely to be some olose fighting for the silver cup, of which the winner of the championship becomes holder for the ensuing year. This cup was presented some years ago by George Newnes, M. P.

PROBABLE DATE OF MR. DEACON'S TRIAL. for the murder of M. Abellie, the alleged paramour Dencon, will probably open on May 2, in the Court of the Department of the Alpes Maritimes. Mr. Deacon will be liberated on Tuesday.

ERENCH WARSHIPS TO SALUTE THE QUEEN. proceed with his squadron to Hyeres to salute Queen

A SOCIALIST ELECTED TO THE CHAMBER. Paris, March 6 .- M. Lamendin, a Socialist, the secre tary of the Miners' Syndicate, has been elected Deputy

ANOTHER STORM ON THE PORTUGUESE COAST. London, March 6.—Disputches from Portugal report another severe storm on the Portuguese const.

ADDITONS TO THE GREEK MINISTRY. Athens, March 6.-M. Deimezis, for many years at the head of one of the departments, has been appointed Minister of Finance, and M. Meletopoulos has been appointed Foreign Minister.

SPANISH LEGATION, NOT BRITISH EMBASSY. Bru-sels, March 6 .- One of the papers of this city restorday announced that an unsuccessful attempt had een made to blow up one of the foreign embassie here with an infernal machine containing two pounds of explosive. The scene of the attempt was the Spanish Legation, not the British Embassy as at first reported. The infernal machine was discovered by some workmen who promptly extinguished the burning fuse.

RETRENCHMENT IN SPAIN. Madrid, March 6.—In an interview granted as he was about leaving the piace of meeting of a protracted Cabinet council heid today, Premier Canovas del astillo said that the Government had determined upon policy of retrenchment. It was proposed to reduce by 17 per cent the presidency of the Council expendiures, by 10 per cent those of the Interior Department and by 15 per cent those of the Department of Finance. The Government intended rigorously to prohibit the manufacture of artificial wines. They planned, if posside, to reduce expenses by 55,000,000 pesetns (\$11,000, (20), the sum figured in the last budget for retiring pensions. The Premier also declared that he was de-ormined to bring forward effective measures to balance the ladget, and that he would resign if the Cortes rejected his proposals to that end.

THE LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTION. London, March 6.—In the triennial elections for members of the London County Council, which came off Saturday, out of the twenty-seven Moderates, elected, ten were unopposed. "The Chronicle," commenting on the results of the election, when the Programment of the election, when the programment of the election was a "The election was a "The election was a "The election

election, says: "The Reactionists are snewed under. They cannot complain, as they did in 1889, that they

"The Daily News says and the Progressives' victory. It cannot be doubted that a Liberal Ministry and Parliament will confer the increased powers which the Progressives ask, and will subject landfords' revenues to their proper share of municipal taxation."

MITRE'S WITHDRAWAL ACCEPTED. Buenos Ayres, March 6.-At a convention of the National and Civica parties General Mitre's withdrawal from the candidacy for President was accepted, and a resolution was adopted to support Saenz Pena for President.

REVOLT IN THE ZAMBESI BARUE. Lisbon, March 6.-The mail from South Africa brings news of a revolt in the Zambesi Barue district against Captain Gouvela, who, it is rumored, has been

Suncook, N. H. Her mother became crazy over the marriage, and is now at the Wilton, N. H., Town Farm. Drew is about twenty-five years old, is reported to have some discount twenty-five years old, in the five years of the five ye

#### THE SUICIDE OF PELHAM W. SHIPMAN.

HIS BODY TO BE SENT BACK TO ASTORIA-NO LETTERS LEFT BY THE DEAD MAN.

Baltimore, March 6 (Special).-The body of Pelham pital in which he died to an undertaker's this mornand valuables found on his brother. He was much distressed, and declined to talk about the matter anything to indicate that his act was prompted by ther than a fit of insanity. The clerks and visitors first attempt to kill himself, say that while he acted clear, but that after his arrival here he became de e used was a new one, and he had tought a box of ments at the hotel were watched, after his attempt at asphyxiation by turning on the gas in his room, he hired the cab, knowing that he would not be interfered with walle the vehicle was rattling through one of the noistest streets of the city. He had taken the precaution to draw the blinds closely before the

the son of ex-Judge William D. Ship-of Astoria, L. I., caused much talk in The Shipman family has lived Astoria vesterday. in Astoria for half a century, in the old family house in the Boulevard, between Franklin and Orchard the house have lately been Mrs. Shipman and servants.

The judge said his son was thirty years old. never practised law. He lived at home until about a tesire to go California. He had shown signs of mental First Precinct Station. disorder several times, but there were no symptoms of dangerous manta. As his father thought that a trip to California would do him good, he allowed him to go out West about the middle part of hast August. Letters which he wrote home caused his family to fear that he was growing worse, and he was sent for and brought home from New-Mexico. He was examined by insanity experts, and in September they recommended sending him to the Bloomingdale Asylum, where he was considered so harmlessly insane that he was allowed to wander freely around the grounds. On Thursday afternoon the Judge heard that he had escaped. dangerous manta. As his father thought that a trip

#### MORE NORTHERN LIGHTS,

NOT SO BRILLIANT AS THOSE OF A MONTH AGO. BUT WELL WORTH SEEING.

evening were treated to a display of the narora borealis justre of the streaks extending upward, as the noonday

favorable for the wonderful sight then witnessed. The noon, at that time just appearing above the ens, waiving her supremacy to allow thousands of

out of sight behind the western limb of the sun, but a

A curious theory advanced is that the earth is sur-

# ARREST OF OPHUM SMUGGLERS.

Lockport, N. Y., March 6 (Special).-The detection two well-known smugglers of optum was effected hast week at Windsor, Ont., through the efforts of a United States Customs Inspector, Charles E. Lewis, of Suspension Eridge, and the Customs officers at the Bridge and Detroit. Some fine pre-vious Lewis discovered that packages of option were being shipped through Toronto and Windsor. He followed one of there shipments and saw that an old man, who gave his name as W. T. Howard and stopped at the Crawford House, received the goods. He was accompanied by a young man who was known as his son, H. J. Howard. Lewis watched the pair and saw the old man tear up some letters and throw the pleces into the street. These he carefully put together and discovered that the two were engaged extensively in smuggling opium from Canada and shipping it to persons in Chicago, New-York an Boston. The Howards were carefully watched, and one day last week the old man boarded a Pollman sleeper for Detroit. He was arrested in an expressleeper for Detroit. He was sending a percel to Office at Detroit, as he was sending a percel to Unicago. When arrested he gave his name as W. C. McFherson, of Rochester. The young man was decoyed over and gave his name as H. J. Haves. The pair have been held by the United States Commissioner at Detroit on the charges of smuggling. A large parcel of option is lying at the express office at Windsor awaiting the Howards, to whom it is addressed.

# FATAL EXPLOSION ON A TRAIN.

Topeka, Kan., March d.-A peculiar and fatal acci dent occurred on the Sanfa Fe-St. Joseph passenger train last night. The train left St Joseph at 8:30 o'clock on its way to Topeka. At Meriden the heating apparatus in the smoker exploded with terrific force. The passengers in the cars were hurled from their seats, and two of them, Almon Richards and Alexander Errickson, both of this place, were so badly hurt that they afterward died of their injuries. Five others were painfully injured, but it is not expected that any of them will die. The injured men were brought to this city and were removed to the Santa Fe Dispensary. The anside of the car was completely wrecked, and it is a wonder that more fives were not

# THE REV. MR. MOXOM WILL REMAIN.

Boston, March 9 .- The Rev. Philip S. Moxom, paster of the First Baptist Church, previous to his sermon this morning said: "In view of the action of the church and my own sense of responsibility to God in connection therewith, I have decided to remain in this pulpit and in this church until such time as Provi dence in its wisdom shall ordain otherwise.

CHARGED WITH KILLING HER BROTHER. Mary Himpler, twenty-three years old, of No. 75 Morrell st., Brooklyn, was arrested at 12 o'clock last night by Detective Sergeant Campbell and Policeman Decker charged with fatally stabbling her brother, W. H. McGinn, twenty-seven years old, at the hous of Mrs. Mary Wigand, No. 165 Sigel-st. The injured man was taken to St. Catherine's Hospital, where he

# A MINISTER DRAGGED FROM HIS PULPIT.

The Rev. Mr. Conway, of Yonkers, while attempting t preach last evening, was dragged from the platform by the police and put out of the building. The police came to the hall at the request of E. O. Carpenter, who said that Mr. Conway was about to make a specific which would cause When Carpenter ordered Conway MISSED THE CZARINA AND HER SON.

Londen, March 7.—"The Chronicle's" Moscow correspondent says that while the Czarina and the Czarewitch were driving in the Nevsky Prospect in St. Petersburg a day or two ago a parcel supposed; in the hall were put out.

DID SHE TRY TO SHOOT HER HUSBAND?

EXCITEMENT IN A BROOKLYN STREET-A STRUG-

GLE FOR A REVOLVER. Miss Minnie Platt, who was a few months ago the successful defendant in a suit for absolute divorce brought by William H. Platt, in which Martin B. Waller, son of ex-Governor Waller, of rested last night in Brooklyn charged with attempting to shoot her husband. The couple have navy, brought his suit. Every effort was made to prevent the facts from becoming public, and ex-Governor Waller tried to have the case comher guilt, and the suit went to trial before Judge Osborne and a jury in the City Court. The defence self tried to get her to go to improper places. The jury did not believe the charges against Mrs. Platt, and after being out all night, brought in a twenty-seven years old, and a stenographer. Her father is James R. Fisher, a real estate man, of 150 Fulton-st. For some time Mrs. Platt has been boarding at No. 232 Livingston st.

Policeman Shields was patrolling his beat near Hoyt and Livingston sts. at 8:20 o'clock last liceman went up and found the woman to be Mrs. Herkimer-sf. The third person was Platt. He charged that his wife had attempted to shoot a 22-calibre revolver which he had taken from her during the struggle. She was taken to the Reid and Platt said that she had come up to them on the street and pointed the revolver at her husband and threatened to shoot him. Reid had grappled with her and had taken the pistol away when the policeman arrived. Mrs. Plate would make no statement, and was locked up. Her arm was injured in the

When seen in her cell last night, Mrs. Platt "I have nothing to say. I should much prefer that my husband would do all the talking." When urged to tell the circumstances leading to the arrest, she said: "He has hunted and hunted ne constantly. He has had detectives at my house night and day. He was not at the house to-day and I did not know he was in the neighborhood at all till I met him in the street. I bought the revolver a short time ago because I was going into the country to-morrow. I had the revolver in my pocket, but I didn't draw it at all or make any attempt to shoot hinf. It was in my pocket till they took it away from me. This man Reid is a Masonic friend of my husband, and has been aiding him and the detectives in trying to watch my every move." Mrs. Platt appeared calm while my every move." Mrs making this statement

making this statement.

Mrs. Rodman, who keeps the boarding-house in Livingston-st., said that Mrs. Flatt took the second-story back room in her house five weeks ago, and boarded there. About 8 p. m. Mrs. Flatt went out to mail some letters and came back soon. She went out again, saying she would return in a few minutes, and for the landlady to tell her sister, whom she expected to call, to wait until she came back. Soon after this a to tell her sister, whom she expected to call, to wait until she came back. Soon after this a policeman brought word from Mrs. Platt that she had been arrested and would not be back. The sister called later and went away at once. Mrs. Redman said Mrs. Platt had been a weil-behaved, agreeable boarder, but had not been in good spirits for a few days, owing to the failure of her husband to pay her regular allowance promptly.

After making the complaint Platt and Reid went away and could not be found. Mrs. Platt will be arraigned before Police Justice Walsh in the Adams Street Court this morning.

Adams Street Court this morning

# TROUBLE CAUSED BY FREE METHODISTS.

GOVERNOR BOIES CALLED UPON TO PROTECT A BAND OF RELIGIOUS ENTHUSIASTS.

Corning, Iowa, March 6.—The application made by the Free Methodists to Governor Roles for protection by the State militia is the outcome of a hostile feeling that the people of Southwestern Iowa have for months entertained against those religious enthusiasts. The latter have had headquarters at Shenandonh, Red had trouble with the local authorities. Since last summer they have been holding protracted meetings at Corning. At first they occupied a large tent, which was burned, probably by an incendiary, one night last September, after which they leased Calkins Rink, and continued their work there. Their announced faith or creed has not been criticised a much as their manners, methods and pulpit uttertheir meetings, to stamp, shout, yell and run about the full length and breadth of the rink, and some of the young women and young men who have been converted the floor, and at times have lain there kicking and rol ing hysterically about for hours. At times the band has been accustomed to go to any of the homes where they could gain entrance and sing and pray until they were requested to withdraw. They held dally scances at one home to heal a woman who has been a helple invalid from rheumatism for years. The condition the evening meetings attracted a rabble, and the serseveral arrests had been made and the prisoners released at the request of the prosecutors, special police men were sworn in to preserve the peace. the converts is W. H. Hexte, publisher of a local paper, who has become so wholly wrapped up in this religious enthusiasm as to give most of his property to the agitators.

The immediate cause of the present appeal to the

Governor was as follows: A prominent furniture-dealer, Robert Hollister, has for years provided the comforts of a good home for his wife's infirm parents. Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead, aged seventy-two and eighty-five respectively. These old people have become inerested in the meetings, and the members of the board have been regular visifors at Mr. Hollister's home to Five fit up, promising to provide for them. On Wedness day might Wr. Hoxte "thanked God" that this was not "the kind of religion which allowed a man to turn his old father and mother out of doors." At the turn his old father and mother out of doors." At the turn his old father and mother out of doors." At the turn his old father and mother out of doors." At the turn his old father and mother out of doors." At the turn his old father and mother out of doors." At the turn his old father and a few other similar nanges. The special police threatened him with a rest, but he was well backed up by young companions.

The next night the manager of the rink building leased the main floor of the edifice for a prize fight and boxing exhibition. Large crowds gathered, and during the evening the windows of the rink occupied by the revivalists were kicked in, the electric lights were shut off at the works and the band was bombarded with ancient eggs, mud, stones and sicks. The gang followed the workers to their sleeping quarters, and pelted them with eggs and other missiles. The band did not complain to the city authorities, but at once telegraphed him there was no cause for alarm or for calling out the militia. The United States Marshal is now here to investigate the situation.

FISHERMEN LOST ON 250. hold special meetings in their behalf. This became so

# FISHERMEN LOST ON THE BANKS.

Gloucester, Mass., March 6.-The schooner Lizzie Griffin, from Grand Banks, reports | loss of two of her crew by the capsizing of a dory. They were Joseph Grady, who belonged in St. Francis Harbor, N. S., and Daniel McAskill, from Cape Breton.

DRANK FROM A STRANGER'S BOTTLE AND DIED. Hudson, Wis., March 6.-David Hefron, an old resident of St. Croix County, Hving in the village of Boardman, died yesterday under suspicious circum-stances. He had sold a load of wheat on Friday at Boardman and returned to within half a mile of his home. Here he met a man, and the two sat each in his own wagon and talked a while. During the con versation the other man, whose name is not known took a bottle from his pocket and gave Hefron some-thing to drink. Mrs. Hefron, hearing her husband

Before she reached them close enough to recognize th other man, they parted, apparently in good humo Hefron showed signs of intoxication, and soon after went into a stupor from which he never recovered. No intoxicants are sold at Boardman, and the drink the unknown man gave him is supposed to be the only one he had.

#### MR. SPRINGER WORSE.

HIS PHYSICIANS, HOWEVER, THINK THERE IS NO CAUSE FOR IMMEDIATE ALARM.

Washington, March 6.-The condition of Congress of the virulent form of erysipelas which had once al most disappeared, and to-night the left side of his facis badly swollen and the eye nearly closed. Periods of mild delirium are also more frequent, and there is his condition, but one which his physicians declare not to be particularly alarming.

The attending physicians held a consultation late of Springfield, III., Mr. springer's family physician made the following statement to the Associated Press There is no occasion for immediate alarm. Mr nothing more than might be expected in the run o this disease. I fully appreciated that when I said yesterday that, while his condition was improved then, he was not out of danger. Throughout the rday his symptoms were favorable, but a change for night, yet it was a broken and restless sleep.

a matter of gravity, is not necessarily alarming. It him, and asked that she be arrested. Reid had nearly closed. The delirium, of course, is induced by ness of the House or the tariff bills. After he drops off into this state of coma or stupor, however, it is easy to arouse him again, when he will talk quite in-telligently, perhaps, for awhile. But after the con-versation ceases he will lapse into that condition again. He is a very sick man, there is no doubt of that, but is

#### RACE CONFLICTS IN THE SOUTH.

SEVERAL WHITE MEN KILLED IN ONE FIGHT AND SEVERAL NEGROES IN ANOTHER.

Memphis, Tenn., March 6.-News reached the city st night that a riot was in progress at the curve of ascertained last night that four deputy sheriffs, fatally. The trouble dates back to last Wednesday, when there was a fight between a white man and a negro, the latter accusing a white man of abusing his wounded. The four deputies to-night went out to arrest the man who had done the shooting, and learned that he was in the grocery at the curve.

to the keeper, the room seemed to fill with negroes. Suddenly there was a shot, and Deputy Sheriff Clarko Cole fell to the floor, mortally wounded. This seemed to be the signal, for in an instant the Sring became general. Deputy "Boo" Harrell went down next with a load of buckshot in his back. The deputies, taken completely by surprise, were unable to return the fire to the floor, the former riddled with birdshot and the

Edmonton, Ky., March 5.-News has been received Roads, five miles east of this place, between a party of twelve wagoners, white, on one dide, and eleven negro farm hands on the other, in which four as near as can be learned, are as follows: The wagoners, who haul lumber from Wright's mill, in this county, to Horse Cave, were on their way to their homes at this place. When near Maxey's distillery, at Clark's Cross Roads, they met a negro, who is em-ployed on the farm of John Anderson. In passing, one of the wagoners struck him with his whip, to which the negro remarked that he would see him again. employs a large number of negroes, and, in company

Twenty negroes have been placed under arrest.

Those arrested include Calvin McDowell, manager of
the store where the shooting took place, and "Tom"
Moss, a letter-carrier, who are believed to have been
the ringleaders in the affair. "Josh" Shields, who shot the ringleaders in the attair. "Josh" Shields, Deputies Harrold and Yerger, is still at large.

#### ONE ACTOR MURDERS ANOTHER. Boston, March 6.-Fayette Welch, an actor, wa

shot and killed about 2 o'clock this morning by iam F. Flannery, a Variety performer, also known as William J. Gould. The shooting occurred at a theat rical boarding-house, No. 10 Dix Place, where Welch occupted a front room on the second floor. Flannery and his wife occupied rooms nearly opposite, on the his wife returned home from the theatre last night, they and Welch had a discussion over some personal matters during which Welch applied some epithets to Flannery went to Welch's apartment and, failing to get a retraction from that individual, fired the fatal bullet just as Welch was approaching him in a threatening manner with hands Flannery at once retired to his room and sat down quietly. The police were on the scene within five ninutes and placed Flannery under arrest. He neknowledged doing the deed, but said his intention

all go to the circus. It will be an amateur affair and the performers will be well-known society men. members of the Boston Riding C'ub and the Boston Athletic Association have combined to give the show. It will take place the latter part of this month, and may last for three evenings. After the preliminary cavalcate of the performers, which will be participated in by something like 100 people, there will be an exhibition of the trained elephants, Roman chariot races, tandem races, etr. It is said that R. D. Sears, the tennis champion, will be one of the clowns.

# THE BUSSIAN RELIEF FUND.

Washington, March 6 .- Miss Barton has received the ollowing subscriptions to the Russian Relief Fund: Citizens of Johnstown, Penn., \$1,064; from an known source, \$1,000; Jacksonville, Fla., Sanitary Association, \$2,500; George Kennan, \$100.

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# PHASES OF THE CENSUS.

ABSURD FIGURES FROM RURAL DISTRICTS.

TWISTING OF FACTS PREPARATORY TO THE DEMOCRATIC GERRYMANDER.

FROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE. Albany, March 7 .- The leaders of the Democratic party here are happy in the consciousness that their enumeration of the inhabitants of the State will show what they desire it should showthat the population of the Democratic cities has enormously increased since the Federal census of 1890 was taken, and that the population of the Republican rural counties has diminished. Such a showing will give them a basis upon which to give the cities an inordinate share of the representation in the Legislature and in Congress, and to deprive the rural counties of their just share of the representation at Albany and at Washing-

After the enumeration comes the action by the Legislature reapportioning the Congressional and the Senate and Assembly districts. If New-York City, according to the fraudulent Democratic enumeration, has 1,800,000 population, or 286,500 more people than were found by the Federal census-takers of 1890, it may be possible to give her sixteen Congressmen, ten Senators and thirty-six Assemblymen. If Brooklyn has a population of 955,310, or 148,967 more than the Federal censustakers discovered in 1890, then it will be possible to give her six Congressmen, six Senators and eighteen Assemblymen. Brooklyn and New-York will then have a majority of the Congressmen from New-York State, and nearly a majority in both branches of the Legislature. The inhabitants of rural New-York must prepare themselves for a most relentless robbery of their rights of representation in Congress and in the Legislature. Lieutenant-Governor Sheehan recently said that St. Lawrence County hereafter would have only one Assemblyman. She now has three. There were 16,414 men who voted in St. Lawrence County last fall, and they are to have only one Assemblyman. How does this compare with the Ist Assembly District of New-York, in which only 4,551 votes for Assemblymen were cast last fall; with the IIId Assembly District, in which only 5,098 votes were cast last fall, and with the Vth Assembly District, in which only 3,585 votes were cast last fall-or only 13,234 votes in all? Yet these three Democratic districts, with an aggregate voting population 3,180 less than that of St. Lawrence County, are to be permitted to retain their three Assemblymen, while St. Lawrence County is to be reduced to one. In that case, the vote of a Democrat in New-York will count three as compared with that of a Republican in St. Lawrence

An examination of only a few of the enumeration returns sent from various counties shows clearly that the rural population has been underestimated in this enumeration. The Democratic enumerators were not anxious to disclose a big population in the rural parts of the State, and, beyond that, few cared to walk miles through snowdrifts in order to get absolutely correct returns, The reports from Chenango County, which is a representative rural county, having no city within its borders, gave it a population of 37,616, against a reputed population of 37,777, or a decrease of 161 persons. Nobody believes that this decrease has happened. Another report says that while the population of Jefferson County has apparently increased 1,091 souls since 1890, this increase is wholly confined to the city of Watertown; and that outside of that city, the population has diminished 1,128 since 1890. statement of the enumerators is preposter is absurd to think that the rural portions of Jefferson County have! within two years lost so many

A dispatch from Lockport says that "Niagara County complete foots up 64,312 population, a gain of 1,821 over the Federal census. The gains are in Niagara, Wheatfield and Royalton. Other farming towns show losses from fifty to 100, or more, as compared with the census of 1890," Here is a statement of losses in the rural towns counded, and But it is by glancing over the following report ceives how great has been the omission of names in rural districts:

	1892.	189
Alden	2.372	2.3
mherst	3.956	4.0
urora	3 370	34 15
Insten	1 245	1 2
	4 636	4.5
	1,000	1.35
heektowaga	20724	
larence	3,143	3,1
olden	1.082	1.3
ollius	2,202	2.09
oncord	4.008	3.8
ast Hamburg	2,349	2,3
d-a	2,204	45 13
lma	2.157	2.1
vans	2.598	200,000
rand Island	1.021	1.0
lamburg	3.700	3.8
foliand	1.704	1.5
ancaster	4 105	28, 136
[apilla	1 5 31	1.33
ewstead	3.679	9.7
	9 609	2.0
	1 4001	4 7
ardinia	0.001	4.5
onawanda	0.31.0	7,100
Vales	1,000	1,24
Vest Sences	3.040	3,4

It is true that the total in the above table concerning 1892 is greater than in 1890, but this is

cerning 1892 is greater than in 1890, but this is easily explainable by pointing out that the increase of population is in such villages as Tonawanda, which has received some of the surplus population of the nearby city of Buffalo. In a majority of the towns, it will be observed, the population is declared to have decreased. That is not happening in Eric County, which has a big boom in its rapidly growing city of Buffalo. The Secretary of State has put his enumerators at work in the capital. Already forty men are employed, and sixty new men were soon to be set at work. The Democratic leaders hope to have the enumeration figures completed by the middle of April, so as to enable them to then gerrymander the Congressional, Assembly and Senate Districts.

Oshkosh, Wis., March 6 (Special) .- The Rev. E4 ward H. Smith, paster of the First Congregational Church, the wealthiest in the city, has been charged by the local ministerial association with unsoundness in theology and commanded to appear Monday cast out by his own Conference, and at one time his church was broken up, a large faction leaving it after vainly attempting to selze and hold the building.

# LEFT HIS CREDITORS IN THE LURCH

New-Bedford, Mass., March 6 .- William L. Palmer, iged twenty-five, engaged in the grocery business in this city, has left town owing several bills. One of his heaviest creditors is the firm of W. P. Potter & Co., wholesale grocers, who had furnished Palmer with \$1,500 worth of goods. Not being able to secure a settlement, Potter & Co. threatened to attach Palmer's store and stock. On Friday Palmer hired a team at Hayden's stable, and later in the day Mr. Hayden received notice from Fall River to come and get his team, as Palmer would not return it. Palmer did not return home, and yesterday an attachment was placed on the grocery by Potter & Co. It is hinted that the young man lost money in gambling.

# INTENDED TO JUMP INTO THE LAKE.

Chicago, March 6 .- James Power, aged seventy-three an ex-member of the Chicago Board, has been missing since Thursday. His wife received a letter to-day signed by him saying he intended to jump into the lake. Powers has been despondent of late. It is said he was at one time one of the wealthlest men in

# TO BEGIN WORK ON A BIG DITCH.

Chicago, March 6 (Special).-Agitation has had the effect of stirring up the Board of Drainage Trustees, it seems. The engineer of the Board now announces that ground will be broken for the beginning of the great drainage channel about May 1. Two triangulation parties are now actively at work on the roste, and the citizens, who have been paying salaries without results for two years, are beginning to hope that some-thing will be done at last toward getting rid of the source of contamination of Chicago's water supply.